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SUBJECT: CODEL IPU

1. EMBASSY SHOULD, IF AT ALL POSSIBLE, PROVIDE GENERAL BRIEFING ON FRG AND WESTERN EUROPEAN SITUATION FOR CODEL AND WIVES SOON AFTER ARRIVAL. GIVEN CONGRESSIONAL RECESS, THIS KIND OF BRIEFING WAS IMPOSSIBLE TO ARRANGE IN WASHINGTON. BEST TIMES WOULD PROBABLY BE MONDAY BEFORE IPU PROGRAM MAKES IT DIFFICULT OF ASSEMBLE ENTIRE GROUP. PLEASE ADVISE TIME SET FOR BRIEFING WHICH WE PRESUME WILL BE AT EMBASSY.

2. DEPARTMENT HAS BEEN IN TOUCH WITH THE OFFICES OF EACH CODEL MEMBER AND WILL PROVIDE GUIDANCE ON SPECIAL INTERESTS AS THESE BECOME CLEAR. CONGRESSMAN LEHMAN AND DUNCAN ARE LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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BOTH INTERESTED IN DEFENSE MATTERS. CONGRESSMEN BUTLER AND LEHMAN ARE ALSO VERY INTERESTED IN ANTI-TERRORISM AND MIDDLE EAST ISSUES, ESPECIALLY IN REGARD TO ISRAEL. DUNCAN IS INTERESTED IN THE MEDITERRANEAN COUNTRIES, ESPECIALLY TURKEY AND CYPRUS, AND IN NATO AND EAST-WEST ISSUES. EMBASSY REQUESTED TO ARRANGE JOINT APPOINTMENT WITH APPROPRIATE FOREIGN AND DEFENSE MINISTRY OFFICIALS AND

BUNDESTAG MEMBERS IF AT ALL POSSIBLE. (WE REALIZE BUNDESTAG IS IN RECESS BUT PRESUMABLY SOME WILL BE IN TOWN.)

3. WIVES: EMBASSY SHOULD INCLUDE WIVES TO THE FULLEST POSSIBLE EXTENT IN PROGRAMS, BRIEFINGS, ETC., WHICH ARE ARRANGED FOR CODEL. THE FOLLOWING WIVES HAVE INDICATED THEIR PREFERENCES FOR PROGRAMMING:

MRS. STAFFORD WISHES TO VISIT A CHILD CARE CENTER AND A SPECIAL EDUCATION FACILITY. SHE IS ALSO INTERESTED IN VOCATIONAL TRAINING AND CRAFTS. MRS. STAFFORD WOULD ALSO LIKE TO FOLLOW THE GENERAL PROGRAM FOR THE CODEL MEMBERS ON A FLEXIBLE BASIS AND IS WILLING TO SPEAK TO HOST COUNTRY GROUPS.

- MRS. BUTLER WOULD BE INTERESTED IN THE NON-TECHNICAL ASPECTS OF THE CODEL'S PROGRAM AND PREFERS A FLEXIBLE SCHEDULE. SHE WOULD BE WILLING TO PARTICIPATE IN INFORMAL MEETING WITH GERMANS. HER PERSONAL INTERESTS INCLUDE MUSIC AND ART.

- MRS. LEHMAN PREFERS A FLEXIBLE, SEPARATE PROGRAM. SHE IS INTERESTED IN ART, SCULPTURE, TEXTILES AND JEWELRY DESIGN.

4. CONGRESSMEN DERWINSKI, VANDER JAGT AND WON PAT ARRIVING SEPTEMBER 9. DEPARTMENT WILL PROVIDE PROGRAM LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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INTERESTS BEFOREHAND.

5. CONGRESSMAN DUNCAN WILL DEPART BONN LATE AFTERNOON SEPTEMBER 7 FOR LONDON WHERE HE WILL OVERNIGHT BEFORE RETURNING TO THE US SEPTEMBER 8. HE HAS BEEN IN THE FRG PREVIOUSLY AND WOULD BE WILLING, TO THE EXTENT HIS IPU SCHEDULE PERMITS, TO SPEAK TO GERMAN AND OR AMERICAN GROUPS ON THE CONGRESSIONAL SITUATION AND US PUBLIC ATTITUDES IN ADDITION TO THE OFFICIAL MEETINGS INDICATED IN PARA 2.

6. CONGRESSMAN AND MRS. SKUBITZ WOULD WELCOME OPPORTUNITY TO VISIT BERLIN AND LUXEMBOURG AND WOULD PROBABLY BE AVAILABLE FOR LIMITED OFFICIAL PROGRAM THERE. HIS PROFESSIONAL INTERESTS INCLUDE RAILROAD AND ENERGY ISSUES.

7. SENATOR WILLIAM SCOTT AND REP. ROBERT MCCLORY HAVE CANCELLED. MS. ADELE LISKOF OF REP. LEHMAN'S STAFF HAS BEEN ADDED TO THE STAFF ARRIVING WITH MAIN DELEGATION. SINGLEROOM WILL BE REQUIRED DURATION OF CONFERENCE. CHRISTOPHER

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